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SUBJECT: MINNESOTA GALLERY ART EXCHANGE

REF: A) STATE 180497; B) MOSCOW 17076

1. ARTISTIC DIRECTOR OF MINNESOTA DANCE THEATER, LOYCE HOULTON, WOULD LIKE TO VISIT MOSCOW AUGUST 29 TO SEPTEMBER 10 FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH ULANOVA, KABALEVSKY, AND BOLSHOI BALLET COSTUMER VALERY LEVENTHAL. HOULTON HAS CHOREOGRAPHED KABALEVSKY'S "YOUTH SYMPHONY" AND WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS DANCE, CALLED "TRIBUTE", WITH THEM. SHE ALSO NEEDS TO DISCUSS WITH ULANOVA ACTIVITIES DURING ONE-MONTH STAY IN MINNEAPOLIS. SHE HOPES TO VISIT LENINGRAD FOR TWO DAYS EN ROUTE HOME.

2. RUSSIAN ARTS FESTIVAL ORGANIZERS HOPE THAT MINCULT WILL ARRANGE MEETINGS FOR MRS. HOULTON AND PAY HER EX-
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PENSES IN USSR SINCE THIS IS A WORKING VISIT. (EMBOFF MAY MENTION THAT ENFROS AND LEVENTHAL HAVE BEEN AND WILL COME TO GUTHRIE THEATER AND US-SIDE IS PAYING IN-COUNTRY COSTS.) ALSO NEED MINCULT SUPPORT FOR HOULTON'S SOVIET VISA. PLEASE CONTACT MINCULT AND ADVISE.

3. HOULTON PLANS TO VISIT LONDON AUGUST 1 TO 20. WOULD

APPRECIATE REPLY BEFORE SHE LEAVES; OTHERWISE, PLEASE
INFORM HER CARE OF CAO LONDON, WHOM SHE WILL CONTACT.

4. FURTHER TO RECENT ICA CABLE ON INDEMNIFICATION,
GALLERY WILL REQUIRE WRITTEN ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
AMENDMENT BY MINCULT AS WELL AS INGOSSTRAKH BEFORE
INITIAL PAYMENT CAN BE MADE. ACCEPTANCE CAN BE CABLED
TO BARBARA SCHISSLER, 110 NORTHROP HALL, UNIVERSITY OF
MINNESOTA, MINNEAPOLIS MINNESOTA 55455.

5. RE PARA TWO ABOVE, HOULTON WOULD ALSO LIKE TO RENEW
ACQUAINTANCE WITH BOLSHOI BALLEMASTER ASAF MESSERER .
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